

I thank all the Atletico fans, every one of them. The love they gave me since I arrived has been amazing and I will not forget it. I will always carry the affection of this club with me after not being able to enjoy myself the previous season. I will take Atletico with me in my heart.

Luis Suarez said after the striker waving goodbye to the club's home fans following a 1-1 draw against Sevilla on Sunday.



BCB set to finally create RCAs

SPORTS REPORTER
from Chattogram

The Bangladesh Cricket Board will hold an Emergency General Meeting (EGM) to approve councillors and create Regional Cricket Associations (RCAs) and thus fulfil a long-standing promise.

"We are set to hold an EGM on July 26 to talk about regional cricket. We will seek approval from our respective board directors in this respect," BCB media committee chairman Tanvir Ahmed told reporters on Monday. "After setting up our pilot project in Chattogram and Sylhet, we have begun setting up RCAs. However, the structure of our RCAs is yet to be finalised. Once it is done, we will place it before the board for approval," he added.

RCAs were touted to be a major step towards the decentralization of Bangladesh cricket at the administrative level. Decentralisation would see stronger regional bodies take both responsibility and accountability, backed by the right infrastructure, patrons and facilities to boost cricket. Cricket in the country has remained Dhaka-centric for a long time and it was learned that constitutional changes would be in the agenda during the EGM on July 26.

Determination vaults Nayeem back into spotlight

ABDULLAH AL MEHDI FROM CHATTOGRAM

"It's always tough when you are injured but I tried to adapt," Nayeem Hasan said with a smile that did not altogether conceal his boyish charm during the press conference in Chattogram yesterday.

After all, he has only turned 22. But having made his debut in 2018, Nayeem has already seen the struggles of international cricket. Having scaled the heights with a record five-wicket

Mehedi Hasan Miraz.

"I was with the team after my injury and after my treatment but didn't get the opportunity to play. Miraz bhai was playing very well. I tried to maintain myself and kept practicing so that I could play when I got the opportunity," said the right-arm off-spinner, who had drawn wickets on a wall of his backyard alley and bowled by himself during the lockdowns brought on by the pandemic.

Despite the opportunity, he claimed he was disappointed by Miraz's injury. But he took his chance when it mattered yesterday against Sri Lanka, appearing in his first Test in 15 months.

Sri Lanka looked in control, having dealt with the first 23 overs of the day yesterday, and Nayeem, who picked up two wickets on day one, emerged with new plans by curbing his excitement.

Having given the ball a lot of air the first day and leaking runs, he tightened up and, along with Shakib Al Hasan and Taijul Islam, stuck to a plan. More often than not, he got his wickets because the ball did not turn as much as batters expected.

"Yesterday I was giving it too much flight. Today, I tried to bowl in good areas with a little more

speed. Yesterday, they [Taijul and Shakib] stemmed the flow of runs. I talked to Shakib bhai, the coach and Sourav bhai [Mominul Haque] yesterday and talked about the demands of the wicket and tried to bowl to that. It worked," the youngster said.

Nayeem was able to curb his enthusiasm and bowl to the plan set by his team. Having struggled with injuries, the mental make-up was sharper and will go a long way to Nayeem being able to use his talents with the confidence of his career-best figures of 6 for 105.



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SCORES IN BRIEF

BANGLADESH V SRI LANKA (DAY 2)

SRI LANKA: First innings—397 all out in 153 overs (Mendis 54, Mathews 199, Chandimal 66; Nayeem 6-105, Shakib 3-60, Taijul 1-107)

BANGLADESH: First innings—76 for no loss in 19 overs (Joy 31 not out, Tamim 35 not out)

haul and becoming the youngest bowler to bag five wickets on debut in his hometown of Chattogram, he also saw the lows following injury in 2020.

Nayeem still holds the record as the youngest bowler in history to bag five wickets on debut, achieving the feat at the age of 17 years and 356 days. The injury, a fracture to the little finger of his right hand, saw him struggle as West Indies came in 2021 and Kyle Myers blew a hole into the Bangladesh spin attack at Chattogram. That was the last series Nayeem played before he was picked this time against Sri Lanka after injury to

Mathews hopeful despite heartbreak

SPORTS REPORTER

After a monumental innings, any batter would like to be on the right side of the history. However, that was not the case for Angelo Mathews as the Sri Lankan all-rounder finds himself on the unwanted side of it following the second day's play of the first Test in Chattogram yesterday.

Mathews joined a select few of the unlucky ones as he is only the 12th batter ever to be dismissed a run short of a double century in Tests. The Sri Lankan is unique in a sense that he was the first batter ever to be dismissed on 199 in Bangladesh.

Despite the heartbreak, the cricketer was willing to move on and hoped that his knock would eventually help the Lankans seal a victory in the Test.

"Obviously it would have been nice to get that one run but you have to take what God gives you. I am thankful that I was able to play a good knock. Hopefully it will help us win the game," said Mathews during the press conference following the day's play. Having batted over nine

and half hour and negotiating 396 deliveries, Mathews went for a slog sweep to bring up what would have been his second double ton. Unfortunately, a faulty connection saw him giving an easy catch to square leg.

"I just premeditated the shot. I didn't connect it. It was one of those unfortunate incidents."

Mathews is not the only player to have been dismissed on 199 against Bangladesh. Dean Elgar of South Africa was also dismissed on the same number during a Test in Potchefstroom in 2017.



Shakib stays ahead of curve

SPORTS REPORTER from Chattogram

Five around the bat, one at short mid-off and another at short mid-on. That was the field set for Vishwa Fernando as Shakib Al Hasan came in to bowl his hat-trick delivery. He did not quite get the hat-trick ball right, and was unable to bag his first career hat-trick, as Fernando survived but the damage had been done in the previous two deliveries.

The wily old Shakib's armoury keeps stretching to include new variations. Having come back from Covid-19 after initially being ruled out of the first Test at Chattogram and taking part in just

one practice session, where he did not bowl a single delivery and only focused on his batting, Shakib lifted Bangladesh up in the second session of day two with the ball.

A flat surface was on offer at Chattogram's Zahir Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium. It led to Shakib keeping up his bag of surprises. He turned into a wrist spinner on a few deliveries, bowling leg spin to try out something new. After lunch, he turned the tide towards Bangladesh.

"I wasn't surprised, Shakib bhai was trying that delivery and he had told us that," Nayeem Hasan, who picked up six wickets as Sri Lanka first innings ended

at 397, said in the press conference.

Two deliveries into the second session, Shakib began to showcase his guile with variations. A quicker one to Ramesh Mendis feigned to bounce adequately, only it did not. It skidded on from a length before sneaking in to castle the batter. Next delivery, a regulation left-arm orthodox delivery beat Lasith Embuldenya all ends up and rapped the pads. Even a review could not save Embuldenya's blushes.

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39 overs, 60 runs and three wickets at an economy of 1.53. Shakib had his wits about him. Fit or unfit, he got his way and not only with inclusion in the side immediately upon recovering from Covid but also in his effectiveness and inventions.



Bangladesh national team footballers reported at the team's residential training camp at Hotel Radisson Blu in Dhaka yesterday. The players of the preliminary squad will begin training today before being joined by those of the Bashundhara Kings on May 26 ahead of next month's Asian Cup Qualifiers.

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